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1. The Moravska Ostrava-Privoz oil refinery, a subsidiary plant of Ramo (Refinerie Mineralnich Oleju) National Corporation, employs about 600 persons, of whom about half are women. The plant militia numbers 12 men armed with pistols and rifles. There is a fire brigade of 12 men. The plant covers an area 200 meters square. The refinery has its own power station with a capacity of 5,000 kilowatts.
2. This refinery processes between 10 and 24 railroad tankcars of crude oil per day. About 80 percent of the oil is delivered from the Zisterdorf oil fields of Austria, the remaining being shipped from Rumania. It is delivered in Russian-, Austrian- and Czech-owned tankcars. Between 10 and 24 tankcars of light gasoline and petroleum by-products are produced per day. The major portion of this production is taken over at the refinery by a military representative. The remainder is taken over by a representative of Denzinol, the Czech petroleum products distribution agency. At the plant are about 50 storage tanks of various sizes, with a total capacity of at least 500 tankcars of crude oil and petroleum products.

Comment: These figures do not agree with those given in [REDACTED] which indicated that the plant produced 100,000 hectoliters of various petroleum products per day in October 1950.

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